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SIR:

In response to the Official Communication dated October 27, 2007, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks For Sequence** begin on page 3 of this paper.